

THE GREAT FIGHT AT VICKSBURG.

Reported Success of the Union Forces.

Our Troops in Possession of the City.

Official Despatch from General Grant.

The Union Gunboats Boldly Engaged with the Rebel Batteries.

Major General Halleck, General in Chief.

Despatches from General Sherman and the naval commander were received at St. Louis on the 31st instant.

The gunboats were engaged the enemy's batteries. General Sherman was inland three miles from Vicksburg, both engaged.

From rebel sources I learn that the General's Army of the Mississippi has been ordered to move on to the city.

Since the late raids this Department, except the troops on the river, have subsisted on the country. There will be but little in Northern Mississippi to support guerrillas in a few weeks more.

U. S. GRANT, Major General.

Johnson's Landing. Savannah, Ga., Jan. 4, 1863. Via Cairo, Jan. 4, 1863.

The expedition reached this point yesterday, and the troops debarked last night under cover of the gunboats.

The gunboats have occupied day building bridges to get to the position.

General Sherman has issued orders to move on to the bluff commanding Vicksburg to-morrow at four A. M.

There is every prospect of success. The gunboats shelled the batteries at Halber's for an hour and a quarter, with the following results:

The batteries of heavy rifled guns on the bluff of the river reported to comprise four thousand three hundred.

The floating battery will drop out of the Yazoo river probably to-morrow, with the gunboats, and will be in Vicksburg in front.

Admiral Farragut and General Banks are hourly expected below. The enemy have news of their approach.

Cairo, Jan. 4, 1863. The Memphis Bulletin, just received, says the steamer Butler has arrived direct from the fleet at Vicksburg.

Fighting had been going on for five days, commencing on Wednesday. Up to Monday morning General Sherman had captured three lines of the enemy's works.

The line on the fourth and last line of defense, on the Jackson and Vicksburg road, had ceased, and the line was just two miles from Vicksburg.

General Sherman was re-inforced on Sunday night by 9,000 men from General Grant's army, by way of the river. The whole of the federal force at Vicksburg is now 40,000.

At the latest accounts, we had captured ten guns and 100 prisoners. Nothing has yet been heard from the forces below.

Rebel Accounts. (From the Richmond Dispatch, Dec. 28.)

Twenty-six thousand federal troops landed below Vicksburg, on the 21st, and made a land attack simultaneously with an attack by the gunboats on Vicksburg.

Several gunboats are said to be disabled and many prisoners taken.

Important Post Office Notice. Post Office, New York, Jan. 6, 1863.

In consequence of the numerous cases of breakage which have occurred, and the injury resulting thereby to letters and packages, it is considered necessary to prohibit the forwarding of all bottles, containing medicines or liquids of any description, through the mails.

In future, therefore, all such articles found in the letter boxes will be detained at the general office in New York, instead of being sent, as heretofore, to their destination. By order of the Postmaster General, A. B. WALKER, P. M.

Personal Intelligence. Major Williams, United States Army, A. G. Bull, of Cambridge, Mass., is reported to be in the city.

G. M. Grier and Miss Grier, of Boston, N. Y. Van Der Burgh, of New York, is reported to be in the city.

MARRIAGES AND DEATHS. Married. THOMAS KIRKMAN, on Monday, January 5, by the Rev. August H. M. Held, Mr. Julius Aronson to Miss Maria KIRKMAN.

Deaths. GEORGE W. HARRIS, on Thursday evening, December 25, by the Rev. James Millot, residing at No. 47 Bond street, Mr. Wm. H. Anderson to Miss Henrietta Anderson, at this city.

Deaths. DANIELSON, on Monday, January 5, by the Rev. Samuel T. Carter, of York, Miss Ann, daughter of James, eldest daughter of John Davidson, Esq., both of New York. No cards.

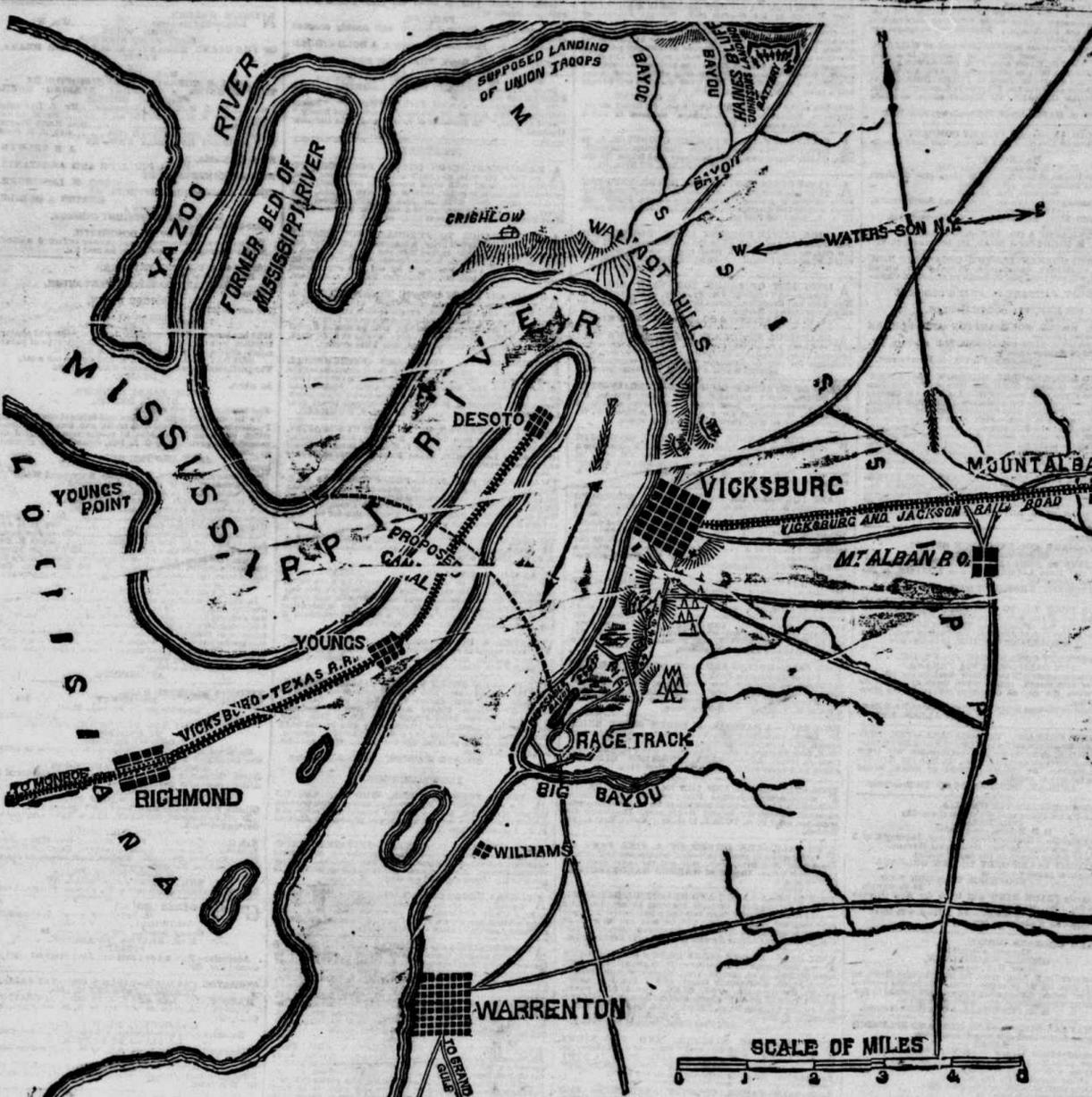
Deaths. DWYER, on the death of Frederickburg, on Saturday, December 13, 1862, at Trinity church, Brooklyn, by the Rev. R. D. Dasher, Mr. J. V. M. Earl to Miss Hannah E. Noble.

Deaths. FOWLER, on Wednesday, December 21, Mr. Charles H. Fowler, to Louisa A. Cox, both of Brooklyn, E. D.

Deaths. HOSKINS, on Sunday, January 4, at the Central Methodist church, Brooklyn, by the Rev. Charles E. Gilver, P. G. Rockefeller, New York, N. J., to Miss J. M. Hoskins, daughter of Wm. S. Herrick, Esq., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE REPEATED CAPTURE OF VICKSBURG.

Scene of General Sherman's Operations Up the Yazoo and on Vicksburg.



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AMERICAN PORTS. BOSTON, Jan. 5. Arrived from New York, Capt. T. G. ... Arrived from New York, Capt. T. G. ... Arrived from New York, Capt. T. G. ...

MISCELLANEOUS. BUSINESS CARDS. I have a quantity of ... I have a quantity of ... I have a quantity of ...

SHIPPING NEWS.

ALBANY FOR NEW YORK-TUESDAY. PORT OF NEW YORK, JANUARY 5, 1863. CLEARING. Steamship B B Spaulding, ALBANY, Fortnes Monroe-Boston & Russell.